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Identical letters dated 16 June 2015 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Jordan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council

Jordan rejects the false allegations and misleading account of the spread of terrorism in Syria contained in the letter dated 12 June 2015 from the Permanent Representative of Syria to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council (A/69/937-S/2015/429). Jordan reaffirms its established policy that terrorism is a scourge that runs counter to religious teachings and moral values and must be combated in all its manifestations and regardless of its source. Jordan stresses that its national institutions will continue to spare no effort in fighting terrorism on all fronts and stepping up coordination and consultation among regional and international parties with a view to reinforcing regional stability and security.

We call on the Syrian regime fully and frankly to take stock of the tragic situation of the Syrian people, which is at bottom the product of the Syrian regime's own actions. The regime has committed grave violations of international humanitarian and human rights law, employed various forms of collective punishment, and targeted Syrian civilians with all manner of weapons, including barrel bombs. We renew our call on the Syrian regime to join efforts towards a political solution, to comply with the relevant Security Council resolutions and to cooperate with the United Nations agencies involved in addressing the tragic humanitarian situation in Syria. That would be preferable to hurling accusations at Jordan, which, despite modest capacities, limited resources and the impact of numerous regional conflicts, has played host to close to one and a half million Syrian refugees since the crisis began. Jordan remains eager to find a political solution that preserves the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of

Syria and brings to an end the suffering that the Syrian people has been undergoing for so many years.

We should like to reiterate that the international community must deal firmly with the Syrian regime in order to ensure its compliance with the relevant Security Council resolutions, including resolutions 2139 (2014), 2165 (2014), 2191 (2014) and 2199 (2015); the resolutions of the General Assembly, including resolution 69/189; and international humanitarian law and human rights principles.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the General Assembly, under agenda items 68 (c) and 107, and of the Security Council.

Accept, Sir, the assurances of my highest consideration.

(*Signed*) Mahmoud Daifallah Mahmoud **Hmoud**
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